

NEW MEXICO TOWNS

SAN MARCIAL.

From the Bee.
The fiesta at Old San Marcial is to materialize on the morning of November 20.
Mrs. Francis Wilson is in El Paso the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Wilson, her only son and his estimable wife.

C. F. Graves, formerly a member of the old Magdalena firm of Creighton & Graves, arrived here to accept a position in the store of Leo Loewenstein.

Judge McQuillin shaved his side whiskers, doctored himself with fine raiment, assumed the facial expression habitual to the rich and honored territorial fair by his presence. He looked every inch the man and soldier, and his resemblance of General Fitz Hugh Lee is not a whit to the judge's disadvantage. For his military record while wearing the blue was distinguished and fruitful of good results to the union cause.

Messrs. J. W. Broyles, C. L. Broyles, Dr. L. H. Richards, Fred Craven and Miss Mary Conroy meet for regular practice as members of the San Marcial orchestra. In the years gone by a similar organization was in existence here and its appearance in public was a source of much pleasure to music loving people. The new organization has been formed more for mutual pleasure and proficiency than for financial gain, but certain opportunities to appear before the public may receive favorable consideration. Their soft airs may soon "charm our senses and exasperate our cares."

SOCORRO.

From the Chieftain.
C. B. Sedillo will leave for Paraje, where he has accepted a position as teacher in the public schools.

Mrs. Gliberson has been quite ill of the prevailing epidemic for several days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. G. Duncan.

Jim Berry arrived from a trip of several weeks, during which he visited cities in Mexico, Cuba, France, England, Spain and the eastern part of the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Barnes are in the city from Magdalena. Mr. Barnes has been sick for several days, threatened with pneumonia and came down thinking that Socorro's lower altitude would be beneficial.

It would be a mistake to suppose that the condition of Hon. H. M. Dougherty's nose is due to the superior physical prowess of some rival attorney. Mr. Dougherty only allowed his celluloid eye shade to come too close to the lamp. There was a flash; the nose took the heat.

George Cook started for his ranch beyond the river Monday morning, but had some only thirty miles when one of his wagon wheels had broken down. He started a man in with the broken wheel to have it refixed and the man had the same mishap with his wagon. Misfortunes come not singly.

SANTA FE.

From the New Mexican.
Juan Garcia was brought in from Moriarity and taken to the hospital for treatment. He is threatened with fever.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dudrow have returned from a visit to Denver, where they spent a week partly on business and partly on pleasure.

Mrs. Frank Dabert, Miss Dabert and the youngest son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dabert arrived from Eureka, Kas., where they have spent the past two months.

A Royce, who for some time has been in the employ of the Santa Fe Hardware company of this city, left for La Jara, Colo., where he has accepted a position.

Mrs. Amado Chavez and young son, who have been in Kansas City for the past ten days on a visit to her sister, Mrs. George R. Baucus, are expected to return home about the middle of the coming week.

Mrs. Paul A. F. Walter and children and Miss Emily A. Walker and Miss Knight, returned from a six weeks' visit to their old home in South Bethlehem, Pa.

While assisting at making some repairs recently at the power house of the Water and Light company, Electrician Arthur J. Griffin was painfully, though not seriously, injured by being struck with a piece of the machinery on the side of the face.

The fiesta at Santa Cruz was one of the most successful that has ever been held in that town and it is estimated that more than 2,000 people from the country round about the town were there to participate in the festivities. There were many people from Santa Fe who attended and a contingent of the Capital City band was there to help and aided materially in making the affair the success that it proved.

HILLSBORO.

From the Advocate.
Jose Alert has returned from a three weeks' trip in Mexico.

Miss Matty Crews is in San Francisco visiting her sister, Mrs. Edna Hughes.

Mrs. J. C. Plimmons and Mrs. Charles Morris have returned from Hermosa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Webster and son George left for Los Angeles, where they will remain several weeks.

Mike Moffitt, one of Kingston's old-time miners, floated into Hillsboro and is busy talking over old times with his friends.
It is reported that the people of northern Sierra county have, or think they have a good idea who held up Mr. Wood at Colorado two weeks ago. The man is there and it would seem that if the suspicion is well founded it would be well to take the suspected man into custody and hold him

for close examination and the case probed to the bottom. Hold-ups are getting too numerous in this county and stringent action should be inaugurated to check the career of the lawless element that seems to reign supreme in the mountains of northern Sierra and western Socorro counties.

LAS CRUCES.

From the Republican.
F. H. Bascom returned to Chicago after a two weeks' visit here.

Miss Fannie Ford has accepted a position to teach the Chamberino school this year.

Mrs. C. P. Downs returned from Warsaw, Ind., where she was called by the death of her mother.

Attorney E. A. Chaffee is acting as district attorney during the absence of Major Llewellyn, and he is pushing matters vigorously, both before the court and the grand jury.

Mrs. E. E. Day who was thrown from her buggy while on a visit in West Newton, Mass., on the 6th instant, and who was supposed to be fatally injured, her friends here will be glad to learn that her physicians have pronounced her out of danger and doing well.

From the Citizen.
Judge A. B. Fain and family were here visiting.

Mrs. Alice L. Cowan and children of Organ, are here spending a few days with her parents.

"Bill Johnson, an old Organ mountain miner, returned from Arizona and left for Organ.

Prof. McAllen who had his jaws broken at the college last week is being treated by Dr. McConnell and is doing well.

Four capitalists from Boston who have been examining Colonel John Hegan's properties at the Gold Camp stopped over in Cruces Wednesday on their way home. They all carried a good supply of Colonel Hegan's ore with them. When it comes to showing up good mines, the colonel is the boss.

LORDSBURG.

From the Liberal.
Mrs. Charles J. Adair, who has been spending some months on the coast, returned to the great delight of Mr. Adair.

W. H. Greer of the Diamond A. Cattle company, with a force of men, was in town attending to the shipment of some 1,600 head of cattle.

The people of Lordsburg are out of luck. Both the ice plant and the electric light plant have shut down. The electric light plant will probably be started, but the ice plant will be idle until spring.

George Wood, who has been visiting his old home in Texas, returned the first of the week, and is again busy looking after the affairs of the Southern Pacific. Mr. Harriman has expressed his great relief at Mr. Wood's return. He will not now have to keep so close a watch on affairs in this section.

FARMINGTON.

From the Hustler.
Mrs. M. L. Paddock of Wyoming, Ohio, is visiting her son, W. L. Paddock, the La Plata merchant.

R. B. Bouck returned after a month's absence spent at Denver and eastern cities in the interest of the San Juan Stores company.

Mrs. Oro Kimball, with her little son, of Howardville, Colorado, left for her home after a month's visit with her mother, Mrs. L. E. Hendrickson.

W. N. Knight sold his interest in the Knight Meat and Produce market to Harlan A. Knight and Willett O. Brown. The new firm will take the market fixtures and thirty-five acres of land, with the slaughter house and yards, for a consideration of \$3,000.

H. A. Bay, who lives near Flora Vista, has this year raised and harvested a crop of sugar beets that is hard to equal. From nine-tenths of an acre of ground he pulled twenty-five tons. He also raised thirty tons of onions on an acre. Here is strength and sweetness enough to satisfy the most exacting. Where can it be beat?

A CELEBRATED VIOLINIST.

Senor Ricardo Ruiz of Spain, in the City.

The Citizen office received a distinguished visitor today, in the person of Senor Ricardo Ruiz, a violinist of considerable renown. He was introduced by J. A. Blondin, violinist. Senor Ruiz has had a remarkable career. Born in Spain, some thirty years ago, at the age of 10 he took up the study of the king of instruments, the violin. He showed extraordinary talent, and after many concert tours in his native country, he joined the famous "Spanish Octetto." This octetto traveled through every country in Europe, playing for the nobility, and giving private concerts. They were appointed court soloists, and played for Queen Victoria, and the then Prince of Wales, now King Edward. They were also proteges of the Empress Eugenie of France. After the Paris exposition, at which they performed, the octetto came to America, and have since been playing in the Latin countries of South and North America. Recently, in Mexico, the octetto met with reverse, and each member went his own way. Senor Ruiz traveled through the south, Texas, and other states, and finally located in St. Louis, Mo. There he suffered the misfortune of falling from a street car, breaking his bow arm in two places. Fortunately the fracture healed without detrimental results for future work in his profession. From St. Louis, Senor Ruiz returned to Mexico, electrifying his audiences wherever he went, with his marvelous playing. Senor Ruiz is now on his way

to Denver, from which point he will probably go to Chicago and Boston. Messrs. Leonard and Blondin are trying to arrange for a concert or private musicale with some local society at which Senor Ruiz may be heard. It is to be hoped they will succeed.

Potato Crop All Right.

George Monroe's crop report for the Sacramento mountains this year is not bad. The yield of potatoes this year is 15,000 pounds per acre. Hay, oats and barley, three tons and worth \$15 per ton. The cabbage crop is good. Otero county is not a bad section for the homeseeker.—Alamogordo Advertiser.

Mrs. S. W. White, who suffered a slight pain under her heart Sunday, is around today and feeling quite well.

Frank McGood, representative of the Whitson company, is in the southern part of the territory transacting business.

DINE AND WINE.

Shriners Close Celebration With Abundant Creature Comfort at Highland—New Members.

The Shriners were here in great numbers and proud magnificence, as became nobles of that mystic order; and while they have had several annual celebrations in Albuquerque, in connection with the fair, this last one, like all other events of fair week, excelled its predecessors in every point peculiar to this peculiar aggregation of children of the burning sands.

All day Saturday the nobles had been busy in parade, in ceremonial sessions, in making themselves happy and the novitiates miserable, and the last two items were carried late into the night, as there were thirty-eight mavericks to be roped and branded. But however late such labors may be protracted, they are never allowed to interfere with the traditional feast, by which this order has gained a world-wide reputation for magnificent hospitality. The Shrine is altogether a social order, and its annual assemblage without the feast would be like the play Hamlet with Hamlet left out.

Ballot Ahyad temple was equal to the occasion and besides furnishing all visiting Shriners admission to all the amusements of the day and evening, they spread a banquet unequalled in the experience of the order in New Mexico, and to this banquet all visiting nobles were invited free of charge.

The banquet was given at hotel Highland, the new proprietor of that popular resort, S. R. Symonds, making his first appearance in Albuquerque as caterer for a large, popular function. The success of Saturday night placed Mr. Symonds in the front rank of local entertainers. Plates were laid for 150 guests and they were all used. The menu provided was:

Blue Points Olives
Celery Consomme d'herbes Prime Roast Beef
Green Peas Asparagus Tips Turkey Cranberry Sauce
Shrimp Patties a la Newburg Mashed Potatoes
Roman Punch Potato Salad
Ice Cream Assorted Cake
Fruit Nuts Raisins
Cafe Noir

The temple furnished the liquids appropriate to the occasion, with the same prodigal hand which had characterized their action in other matters. Nor was this all of the banquet, besides the solids and the liquids, there was an unusually attractive and enjoyable "feast of reason and flow of soul." E. L. Medler was toast master, and after the wants of the physical man had been fully satisfied, he addressed himself to the intellectual side of the Shriners, calling for responses to toasts, by the following nobles: E. A. Cahoon of Roswell; J. W. Wilkerson of Albuquerque; James H. Ritz of Albuquerque; Hon. J. G. Ritz of Socorro; Hon. W. S. Hopewell of Santa Fe; J. J. Kelly of Silver City; H. H. Tilton of Albuquerque; Hon. W. D. Childers of Albuquerque; W. E. Rame of Albuquerque.

It was getting well along towards day when the "jolly good fellows" finally concluded to adjourn till the fair again next year. The following is a revised list of the nobles made at this convocation:

Raton—Fred A. Lockhart, E. D. Stanhill, B. F. Roseberry.
Las Vegas—Dr. H. M. Smith, James B. Reed, Thomas B. Bowen.
Roswell—Robert Kellahan, John Shaw, Thomas D. White, Nathan Jaffa, Clarence Uffery, Frank H. Pearce, Benjamin F. Wilson, William L. Sears.
Clayton—J. D. Williams.
Alamogordo—H. H. Major, Samuel F. Miller, Fred P. Barnes.
Hillsboro—Oliver A. Gould, John C. Plimmons.
Hermosa—Thos. J. Ross.
Taos—Guerson Gudorf, O. H. Stanley.
Madrid—E. A. Turner, John W. Sullivan.
Silver City—J. H. Bragaw, William F. Lorenz.
Kingston—Parquay Campbell.
Albuquerque—George H. Thomas, A. B. McGaffey, James A. Summers, W. D. McFerran, Dr. J. F. Pearce, B. Booth, George J. Stateson, J. C. Furger, William McIntosh, James Towers.

City Marshal McMillin had charge of the city and fair extra policemen, and he, with his regular and additional force, handled the crowd in fine style. After bagging the four pickpockets, three of whom were Mexicans from Mexico, there were no more complaints to the police about pickpockets being picked.

UNIVERSITY NOTES.

Brief Reference to the University Exhibit at Fair.

RECEPTION TO PRESIDENT TIGHT.

On Tuesday morning Miss Hickey gave the students an excellent talk on "Painting." The early beginnings of the art were traced through Egyptian, Assyrian and Grecian history. Her next lecture will deal with Italian painting.

The university exhibit this year is in charge of the chemistry department. Prof. Weingill obtained a splendid location in the exhibition hall and is to be congratulated on the extent and interest of the work illustrated. Someone has always been present to explain apparatus and to perform experiments for the crowd of interested spectators. The aim has been to show exactly the work that is being done by the students in the Hadley climatological laboratory. This is one of the several exhibits made by the educational institution of the territory and it is quite evident that the number and range of educational exhibits is steadily increasing.

On Tuesday evening the young ladies of the university gave a reception in Perkins Hall in honor of President Tight. It was also made the occasion for presenting the cup won in the football game with the Indians. Among the features of the program were solos by Mr. Worth, a presentation speech by President Tight and responses by Manager Fischer and Captain Cannon. The social part of the evening was devoted to the Virginia reel and other games, after which refreshments were served as only the young ladies know how.

The new students enrolled this week are Miss Sloan of St. Louis and Miss Sweet of Albuquerque.

Prof. C. E. Magnusson of the Socorro School of Mines was on the hill Friday. He reports an increased enrollment and a prosperous year for that institution.

A but of residential light is on exhibition in the window of Fox's jewelry store. This splendid piece of art was made by Miss Suizer and presented to the university. It will probably be placed in the Science building until some memorial hall is prepared.

Several new books have been added recently to the Latin department library including Giles Comparative Philosophy, Ebert's Latin Epigraphy, Johnston's Private Life of the Romans, Gudeman's Literature of the Empire, Johnston's Latin Manuscripts, The American Journal of Archeology and the classical Review have also been placed on file in the library.

The regents have let a contract for improvements in the basement of the science hall and work is now being done which will make several additional rooms available.

ARIZONA GETS FIRST SHOW.

Contracts Let for Government Irrigation Works Near Phoenix, Ariz.

A Washington dispatch says that the secretary of the interior authorized the letting of contracts for the construction of the works necessary to the building of the big dam in connection with the reservoir near Phoenix, Ariz. These works consist of a cement plant, an electric power house, a steam power plant, a saw mill and a telephone system.

BACK TO OLD HOME.

Judge M. T. Moriarty Leaves for a Visit to the Emerald Isle.

Old Erin, the birthplace of Judge M. T. Moriarty, is that gentleman's destination, on the trip on which he started from the Santa Fe Central town which bears his name—Moriarty—last Sunday morning, says the New Mexican. Judge Moriarty was accompanied by the writer as far as the "Windy City" and talked entertainingly and interestingly of the land of his birth and the reign of King Edward VII.

Judge Moriarty spent a day in Chicago, and will be the guest of General Francis J. Torrance, senator Arthur Kennedy and President W. H. Andrews of the Santa Fe Central at Pittsburgh before continuing on his journey to New York, where he will sail next Saturday for Queenstown.

Among his baggage, Judge Moriarty carries with him a few Navajo blankets which he will place on exhibition in the ancient town of Killarney on the famous lakes of Killarney.

"I came to this country July 5, 1854, arriving in New York when the air was still filled with the smoke and powder of the Fourth of July celebration of that year," said he. "I first visited relatives in Waterbury, Conn., and then headed for New Orleans, where I engaged in business for a year.

"From New Orleans I went to Cincinnati where I learned the plastering trade and then took Horace Greeley's advice and went as far west as possible, my destination being the City of the Golden Gate.

"In 1864 I went down to Central America where I kept a store for a steamship company at Greytown, Nicaragua. From Greytown I went to New York and from there to old Ireland, where I spent three months visiting the scenes of my boyhood.

"On returning to America I went into the contracting business at Indianapolis, leaving there for Keokuk, Ia., where I engaged in farming.

"Sciatica neuralgia caught a firm hold on me in Iowa, and I had to leave there for New Mexico, where perfect health was restored to me, and I have remained there ever since.

"I settled in the Estancia valley near the present townsite of Moriarty and engaged in sheep and stock raising.

ing. During the seventeen years I have been in New Mexico, I have watched with interest its growth and development, but never expected to live to see the Estancia plains the scene of a busy railroad, and predict that the advent of the Santa Fe Central will not only materially enhance the growth and development of the country through which it traverses, but eventually mark the establishment of a dozen good towns.

"On arriving in Ireland I shall visit Dublin, Cork, Belfast and Killarney, my trip all told taking about three months.

"The reign of King Edward, so far as the Irish people are concerned, is the best and the most auspicious United Kingdom and the British Empire have enjoyed for centuries. I refer particularly to the Irish land bill, which was passed in both the house of lords and the house of commons, largely through the influence of King Edward."

OFFICIAL MATTERS.

A New Mexico Case.
According to a dispatch from Washington, P. O. the case of the United States, plaintiff in error, vs. the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, an appeal from the New Mexico supreme court, will undoubtedly be reached soon in the United States supreme court.

Land Office Business.
The following homestead entries have been recorded in the United States land office: Lorenzo Lopez of Santa Fe, 140 acres located in the county of Santa Fe being the SE 1-4 SW 1-4, and SW 1-4 SE 1-4, section 35, lots 3 and 6, section 2, T 7 N, R 10 E.

Elegio Jesus Benavides of Burley, 160 acres located in Socorro county being the W 1-2, SW 1-4, SE 1-4, SW 1-4, SW 1-4, SE 1-4, section 8, T 2 N, R 7 W.

An Albuquerque Souvenir.
George E. Ellis, proprietor of the Claire, had quite an experience when in Albuquerque last night. As he was entering Sturges' European hotel, a man stepped from the dark doorway and attempted to black-jack him. The blow however, was a glancing one and Mr. Ellis was not in any way injured. He at once closed on the man and grappled with him. In the struggle he managed to get the murderous looking weapon which he keeps as a souvenir of his visit to Albuquerque and of the territorial fair of 1903.—New Mexican.

ALL BACHELORS PAY TOLLS.

Single Men are Made to Pay Handsomely for Their Privileges in Argentina.

One of the smaller states composing the Argentine Republic has no use for bachelors. The law holds that a man is marriageable in Argentina when he is twenty. The exchequer gives point to the opinion by taxing all bachelors between 2 and 30 \$5 a month. After 30 and up to 35 the tax increases 100 per cent. Between 35 and 50 single bachelors cost \$20 a month. From his fiftieth to his seventy-fifth year a bachelor may follow his own wild road by paying in \$30 a month. After that comes relief. The vicious example of an unmarried man between 75 and 80 is considered to be neutralized by a payment of only \$20 a year, and when the 80th birthday is passed the treasury finally ceases from worrying.

A widower is given three years in which to mourn and choose a successor, but a man who can prove that he has proposed and been refused three times in one year is considered to have earned immunity. Here, one would think, is an easy loophole, but the law is said to act like a charm.

Tipton in the Philippines.

W. M. Tipton, who for twenty-four years was a resident of Santa Fe, but who is now commissioner of public lands in the Philippine Islands, has just finished the preparation of a code of laws, rules and regulations to govern the administration of the public lands of the islands. Mr. Tipton is one of the best Spanish scholars to be found anywhere and thoroughly conversed in Spanish and United States land law. He is remarkably well fitted for the task. It has taken him years to prepare the code which will now be submitted to the Philippine commission and after examination and such revision as may be found necessary by that body, will be sent to the secretary of war who will submit it to congress for final approval. There is no doubt but that such will be the case and that the "Tipton code" will stand as a lasting monument to Mr. Tipton's learning, ability and competency.

You Know What You Are Taking Tonic, because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure; no pay; 50c.

On Wednesday Mrs. Solomon Luna, of Los Lunas, who was visiting the city, gave a tally-ho party to Messrs. M. A. Otero, B. S. Baker, Alfred Grunsfeld, E. A. Hubbell, Louis Hild, Fage B. Otero, O. N. Marron, Walter Connell, Harry Lee, E. W. Dobson and E. L. Medler. After the ride Mrs. Luna invited her guests to a luncheon at the Alvarado, and from there they went to the Midway.

W. S. Hopewell, on a telegram from Congressman W. R. Hearst, paid \$300 to J. E. Carroll, the partner of Clay McGonigle, for the latter's famous cow pony, "Frisky," which has enabled her master to gain so many roping contests. Mr. Hearst is a good judge and a great admirer of horses, while he knows something of cowboy life, gained by personal experience near Deming.

Fair weather continues after the fair.

Railroad Topics

The Santa Fe is putting in new bridges west of Flagstaff.

Business in both freight and passenger traffic on the Santa Fe has been on the increase the past week.

Senator W. H. Andrews, president of the Santa Fe Central railway, is in Pittsburg, Pa., on railroad business.

The painting gang of the Southern Pacific was in Lordsburg last week improving the looks of the buildings.

E. H. Field, paymaster of the Santa Fe Central, was in Albuquerque Friday evening and attended the ball at the Alvarado.

The Santa Fe last Wednesday ran a double header west composed of about twenty-five cars loaded with oysters from the east.

F. M. McLaughlin, a former conductor and brakeman, wife and son, arrived at Winslow from the Needles. They expect to make Winslow their future home.

Such has been the improvement in engine boilers and fireboxes that the power derived from a pound of coal to day is nearly three times as great as it was fifty years ago.

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen boys never do things by halves. Their grand ball on November 19 will be the event of the season and is anticipated that upon that evening between 50 and 600 ladies and gentlemen will be their guests.

The Socorro committee appointed to confer with the Santa Fe company in regard to turning the flood waters of the arroyo from that city is still awaiting the company's reply to communications sent.

John Ryan, an employee of the Santa Fe Railroad company for many years, and a section foreman at San Marcial for some time, died the other night. His affliction was cancer of the stomach and a hardening of the spine. He was an Irishman of the old pattern and an honest man. A wife and two children survive him. His remains were taken to Kansas City for interment.

Circular 226 has been issued by General Passenger Agent Byrne of the Santa Fe Coast lines, announcing the appointment of H. H. Moore as traveling passenger agent, with headquarters at Los Angeles.

The Santa Fe has received a shipment of twenty-six new Pullmans and are to place them on the line between Chicago and the coast. Several new dining cars, together with a (ten-section) observation car and sleeper, will also be put into service.

C. G. Woods, who was a resident of Santa Fe for some years and manager of the Postal Telegraph company there, but who has more recently been connected with the coast lines of the Santa Fe railway system in California, has been promoted to the position of traveling auditor in charge between Albuquerque and Bakersfield, Cal. Mr. Wood is a very competent accountant and railroad man. This promotion is certainly fully deserved. He was very popular while in Santa Fe and will no doubt receive high reputation for himself in his new field of duty.

PILLSBURY IS MISSING.

Santa Fe Official May Have Committed Suicide.

Preceded by conditions that suggest he may have committed suicide, Frank B. Pillsbury, assistant general passenger agent of the Yosemite line of the Santa Fe system, has been unaccountably missing since last Friday, says a San Francisco dispatch. About nine or ten months ago Pillsbury lost by death his wife and their child. Since then he has brooded much over that misfortune and has at times been morose in contrast to his old manner. He lived at the Russ house, rooming there with Otto Zeus, assistant ticket agent of the Santa Fe, Friday noon Pillsbury and Zeus left the Santa Fe office together and went to the Russ house for luncheon. After leaving the dining room Pillsbury went to his room and donned his coat clothes. That was the last seen of him.

He left all his effects in the Russ house, and at the Santa Fe office he left two months undrawn salary and no suggestion of any irregularities in his business relations.

PRAYED IN THE DEPOT.

Mormons Hold Religious Services at the Pueblo Station.

Probably for the first time in its history religious services were held at the union depot waiting room, says a dispatch from Pueblo, Colo. A party of twenty-five Mormons bound from England to Utah were responsible. They stopped in Pueblo to change trains, going west on the Rio Grande early this morning. The service was led by a tall, slender man with a flowing beard, who appeared to be a leader of the band. His text was "The Lord is My Shepherd," and he used it to emphasize the fact that, like the sheep, they were being led to the promised land in Utah. The services ended with a short prayer and were so quietly conducted that but few of the people in the depot knew what was going on and supposed that they were simply engaged in a discussion. The home of the Mormons was in northern England, where many more converts have been secured.

OLD EMPLOYEE CAUGHT.

George McLaughlin Confesses to Stealing From Cars.

George McLaughlin, a Santa Fe switchman, who has been in the employ of the company for the past four years, was arrested on a city court warrant on the charge of breaking into a car of merchandise which was standing on the sidetracks, says the Topeka State Journal. The complaint was made by Santa Fe Detective H. H. Gorman. It is the first time during his years of continuous service with the Santa Fe company that any charge has ever been made against McLaughlin, who was known

as an honest man and steady worker. He was in charge of one switch engine and a part of the yards, and it was the intention of the company to make him yard foreman in the near future.

McLaughlin made a confession which he signed and which is now in the possession of Gorman to the effect that on October 11 he took twelve cans of cherries from a freight car and on October 12 took six cans of corn from another car. McLaughlin was seen taking the canned goods to the switch shanty and when arrested had three cans in his dinner bucket.

A WEIRD STORY.

Santa Fe Train Dispatcher Spins a Strange Yarn.

"My head, my head, head, head" were the words which came over the wire one night last winter and the first which apprised the Santa Fe dispatcher at Winslow, Ariz., that a tragedy had occurred and that one of the operators down the line was a raving maniac, says a dispatch from Denver, W. R. West, formerly dispatcher on the Santa Fe at Winslow, came to Denver yesterday and told one of the strangest stories in railroad history to the dispatchers in the Union Pacific office last night.

"This happened one night last winter," said he. "Passenger train No. 2, with eleven cars, left Albuquerque and came as far as Winslow, where the train was split into two sections. The first section pulled out all right and the first thing I knew that anything was wrong was when that message came over the wire.

"We had to use the ground wire and send a man to Canyon Diablo, where the wire was tied up by the crazy man, and we did not find out what was the matter until the next day. While the wire was tied up I came as near having a wreck as I ever did in my life, and we just got her clear in time.

"It seems that very few of the passengers knew the train had been cut in two, and an old lady in the front section started back to see some friends. It was dark, the way it gets in Arizona, and the old lady, thinking she was stepping onto the platform of the next car, stepped off the train and met her death instantly.

"She had a daughter in the car she left, and this daughter missed her and started to search, with the result that she soon found her mother was not on the train at all.

"The accident had happened just west of Canyon Diablo, and the operator there was notified and told to walk along the track and find the old woman. He started out and the next that was heard of him that message was coming to me at Winslow.

"The dispatcher never regained his reason and never could tell what had happened to him. He died a short time later a raving maniac. The body of the woman was found the next morning."

THIS ONE FROM MEXICO.

Story of a Desperate Conflict Between Railroad Men and Deer.

Captain William Scott, the popular contractor in charge of the construction of the Matamoros-Monterrey extension of the National, is in serious trouble, says the Mexican Herald. To provide for 3,000 head of mules he has planted the entire right of way with feed stuff for his stock and the deer, which are very plentiful in the surrounding country, seem